SENATE/HOUSE FILE BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS BILL)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the designation of Iowa great places and financial and technical assistance to projects in Iowa great places.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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Section 1. Section 303.3C, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code 2 2007, is amended to read as follows: Initially, three Iowa great places projects shall be 4 identified by the Iowa great places board. The board may 5 identify up to six additional Iowa great places for 6 participation under the program when places demonstrate 7 readiness for participation under the program.

Sec. 2. Section 303.3C, Code 2007, is amended by adding 8

9 the following new subsection: .0 <u>NEW SUBSECTION</u>. 4. Notwithstanding any restriction, 1 10 1 11 requirement, or duty to the contrary, in considering an 1 12 application for a grant, loan, or other financial or technical 1 13 assistance from a city or county where an Iowa great places 1 14 project has been identified, a state agency shall give 1 15 additional consideration or additional points in the 1 16 application of rating or evaluation criteria to such 1 17 applications. This subsection applies to applications filed 1 18 within three years of the Iowa great places board's 1 19 identification of the project for participation in the 1 20 program.

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EXPLANATION

This bill relates to the designation of Iowa great places 23 and financial and technical assistance to projects in Iowa 1 24 great places.

Currently, the Iowa great places board may identify up to 26 six additional Iowa great places after the initial three are 27 identified. The bill eliminates the limit and allows the 1 28 board to identify any number of additional Iowa great places 29 when such places demonstrate a readiness for participation

30 under the Iowa great places program.
31 The bill provides that, notwithstanding any restriction, 1 32 requirement, or duty to the contrary, in considering an 1 33 application for a grant, loan, or other financial or technical 34 assistance from a city or county where an Iowa great places 35 project has been identified, a state agency shall give

1 additional consideration or additional points in the

2 application of rating or evaluation criteria to such 3 applications. The bill provides that the provisions requiring 4 additional consideration or additional points shall apply to

5 applications filed within three years of the Iowa great places 6 board's identification of the project for participation in the

7 program.

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